## **REMARKS**

Claims 1-4 have been canceled, and new claims 5-12 have been added. The canceled claims have been replaced by corresponding new claims in order to improve the grammatical and idiomatic expression. The specification has been amended editorially by way of a Substitute Specification for improved clarity, including correction of grammatical errors and nonidiomatic expression. The Abstract of the Disclosure has been replaced by a new Abstract in accordance with applicable requirements. Entry of the amendments and examination of the amended application are respectfully requested. Please enter the amendments before calculating the filing fee.

Respectfully submitted,

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